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REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 3-4, 17-19 and 21-23 have been amended to remove the words "hip," "knee" and "shoulder." Applicant continues to disagree that claims 8 and 9 are anticipated by the Brown reference, nevertheless claim 8 has been amended to include the limitation of 10, and claim 11 has been amended to become an independent claim. The specification has also been amended. As requested by the Examiner, a Terminal Disclaimer is enclosed.

Based upon the foregoing amendments, Applicant believes all pending claims are now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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